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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR. § 1.116

# Introductory Remarks:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed June 15, 2004 (Paper No. 20040606, herein referred to as "Office Action"). Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Amendment and reconsideration of the application in view thereof.

It is believed that this Amendment is timely filed on or before September 15, 2004. Notwithstanding, should this Paper not be considered timely filed, Applicant hereby requests a retroactive extension of time to file for the number of months required to maintain pendency of the Application.